

# St. John the Baptist and Holy Trinity

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October 10, 2021

## Mass Schedule:

M, T, W, TH, F - 12:00 Noon  
Saturday 9:00 am & Vigil - 5:30 pm  
Sunday - 9:00 am  
Reconciliation OLP/SP Wednesday 4:00-5:00pm  
SJB/HT Thursday 4:00-5:00pm

## Office Hours for SJB/HT

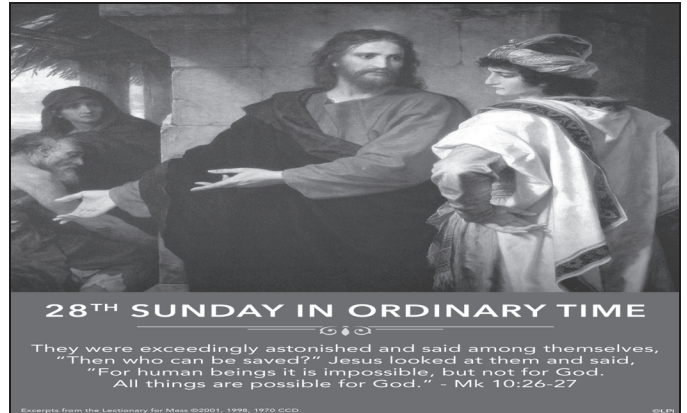
Mon.-Thurs. 9:00am-4:30pm  
Friday 9:00am-2:30pm  
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## St. John The Baptist/Holy Trinity

Saturday, 9:00am & 5:30pm  
Sunday, 9:00am  
Monday –Friday Noon in Church

## Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter Church

Saturday, 4:00pm  
Saturday, 6:00pm Vietnamese  
Sunday, 7:30am & 11:30am & 5:00pm  
Sunday, 9:30am Vietnamese  
Monday –Friday 9:00am in Church



## Gospel Meditation

October 10, 2021

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time



If we are truly in love with God, then the basics are not going to be enough. That love is going to want to be expressed in going above and beyond, in leaving the comfortable and familiar, in stretching and growing, and in following a voice other than our own. St. Teresa of Calcutta rightly instructs us that for “love to be real, it must cost, it must hurt, it must empty us of self.” Being in love with God requires more than just checking the boxes of the commandments. It requires a sincere and unconditional self-investment. Desiring God with our whole heart, mind, and soul means that I must also desire a relationship with my neighbor with that same degree of fervor.

Biases and prejudices usually occur when people are kept at a distance and treated as objects. We cannot truly know our neighbors, especially if they are different than us, if we keep them in boxes and do not listen to their stories. When we open ourselves to listen to another person’s story, we begin to realize more how similar we are than dissimilar. Being overly attached to our possessions, ideologies, agendas, lifestyles, and personal needs are absolute barriers to achieving the type of personal investment love demands. This is why following Christ can be difficult. It is less a matter of intellect and more a matter of heart and soul. It requires that we transfer our treasure from an investment in tangible secular things and move it into the Kingdom of God. It is only the gift of wisdom and discernment that can help us decide what to do and how to do it.

Contemporaries of Jesus would know that a camel could not enter through the portal of a city weighed down with the baggage it was carrying. In order to enter, the baggage must be removed so that the animal could fit through the entry way. The same is true for us. We carry a lot of excessive baggage around with us that keeps us tethered to our past histories, wounds, myopic world views, prejudices, fears, and suspicions. To invest ourselves in the Kingdom of God, do God’s work and live out our love relationship with God, we need to shed the extra weight. While it may seem that a lot of that stuff is necessary, it really is not. We are much more than the things that we think define us and more secure than we think. The more there is to hold on to and the more that we carry with us, the harder it will be to leave it all behind. Many choose not to and walk away sad because they are not ready to trust.

## SJB/HT Office & Church Staff

**Pastor** Father Daniel Caruso  
**Secretary/Bulletin** Nancy Bergeson  
**Office Assistant** Mary Olmsted

**Senior Priest in Residence** Fr. Lester Smith  
**Music Director/Organist** James Stanley

**Call the Rectory to arrange** for Marriages, arrangements made six months prior to date. Contact our organist and cantor directly. Baptisms and hospital/home visits.



### 2022 Mass Book

The 2022 Mass Book is now open. Please call 315-478-0916 or stop by the rectory during office hours to request your intentions. The Masses available starting in January 2022 are Mon. Thurs. & Fri. Noon, Saturday Vigil 5:30pm (requests for Saturday Vigil will only be taken through June 25, 2020, at this time) and Sunday 9:00am. Masses are \$10.00. As well you may request to have the Sanctuary Lamp burn in memory of your loved one(s) for \$10.00. The Lamp will burn from Sunday through Saturday of the requested week.

### Christmas Shopping With AmazonSmile (Any Shopping)



We are seeing some cash back results with AmazonSmile and SJB/HT. If you are an Amazon OnLine Shopper please remember to sign into AmazonSmile and choose St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity as your charity of choice. Here is how you can do it. 1) Visit [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) 2) Sign in with your Amazon.com credentials 3) Choose a charitable organization to receive donations, or search for the charity of your choice, US! We are listed as **St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity** 4) Start shopping 5) Add a bookmark for [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) to make it even easier to return and start your shopping at AmazonSmile. With Christmas just around the corner, many of us will online shop for our gift needs. It really is very simple to use your Amazon or Amazon Prime to add AmazonSmile and choose St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity as your charity. It costs nothing and it changes nothing in your Amazon ordering. Please spread the word to family and friends who shop with Amazon.



### Our Lady of Pompei/St Peters St John the Baptist/Holy Trinity CYO Basketball

Parishioners.... Grades 7 to 12. It is undecided whether or not there will be a CYO Basketball program offered this year. Details and possibilities are being explored so right now we are simply inquiring to see if there is an interest. There will be unprecedented restrictions due to covid so whether or not it is feasible is yet to be determined. In light of this we would like to know if there is the opportunity how many might be interested. Traditionally there are both JV and Varsity teams offered grade levels 7 through 12. Please call Lucy at the Pompei/St Peters Office if interested 315 422 7163.

### Mask Wearing

In response to the Delta variant of the coronavirus and the CDC Guidelines that recommend a return to mask wearing indoors in our seven counties, Bishop Lucia is **highly recommending mask wearing** during Masses and during any indoor church related event. All Eucharistic ministers are asked to wear a mask during the distribution of the Eucharist and to use hand sanitizer prior to the distribution.



### Religious Education News



There are no Religious Ed classes this week, but classes will resume on Oct. 17. Our Oct. 24 class will be our Safe Environment Class. If you do not want your child to participate in this class, please contact Betty Warren. We offer classes from Pre K (4 years old) to Confirmation II. If you wish to have your child participate please call me at 315-420-6357.

Be assured that all CDC Covid 19 requirements will be strictly enforced to maintain the safety of all the students and teachers. Masks will be required, students and teachers will be socially distanced 3 - 6 feet apart and each student will have their own supplies. If you have any concerns for your child's safety, please call me so we can discuss your concerns.

I am confident if we all work together (parents, students, teachers and staff) we can provide a healthy and successful Religious Education program for your children. I would like to thank everyone in advance for their anticipated co operation during this "new normal" process.

Betty Warren, DRE



### HOPE Appeal 2021

If you haven't already received your HOPE Appeal 2021 envelope in the mail, you may find one in the pews of the Church. **All checks should be made out to "The HOPE Appeal"**. You are encouraged to mail directly your donation to the address on the envelope. Please Do Not add your HOPE Appeal donation to your weekly Church envelope. We thank you for your thoughtful and prayerful donations.

To date our HOPE Appeal pledges are \$6,460.00. The assessment for St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity is \$22,000.00.



October is

Respect Life Month



Annual HOPE Appeal

October

Month of the

Holy Rosary



Annual HOPE Appeal

### Mass Schedule for SJB/HT & OLP/SP

**Monday, Oct. 11, 2021**

9:00am OLP/SP - No Mass

12:00pm SJB/HT - No Mass

**Tuesday, Oct. 12, 2021**

9:00am OLP/SP - Angel Pagano - Grandparents

12:00pm SJB/HT - For the people

**Wednesday, Oct. 13, 2021**

9:00am OLP/SP - Camilla DiBello - Daughter, Julia

12:00pm SJB/HT - Bernard Colonna - Ed & Karin Airel

4:00pm-5:00pm OLP/SP Confession

**Thursday, Oct. 14, 2021**

9:00am OLP/SP - In honor of God - Maria Solimini

12:00pm SJB/HT - No intention

4:00pm-5:00pm SJB/HT Confession

**Friday, Oct. 15, 2021**

9:00am OLP/SP - For the people

12:00pm SJB/HT - No intention

**Saturday, Oct. 16, 2021**

9:00am SJB/HT - No intention

4:00pm OLP/SP - Virginia Lanza - The Family

Dorothy Yaizzo - Frank Scarfino

Frank Giannantonio - Julia DeLorio

Alex J. Cimino, Sr. - Love, Michelle

Benny & Terry Cimino - Son, Joseph

Mary Anne Pagano - Henry & Esther

5:30pm SJB/HT - Cindy Caruso - Joan LaVergne

Joanne Loughney - The Family

**Sunday, Oct. 17, 2021**

7:30am OLP/SP - Eugene Penizotto - Wife, Kathleen

Eleanor Zaccaria -

Cousins, Frances Borreggione & Anna Selicato

9:00am SJB/HT - Sharon Regal - Sister, Linda

Ralph Viviano - Norm & Pat Jaquin

Carol McGuire - The McGuire Family

Margaret & Anthony Sokolowski - Linda & Family

11:30am OLP/SP - Amy Pennacchia - Husband, Lou

Mary Ciferni - Kathy & Jim Aiello

Mary Ellen Sunser - Children & Grandchildren

Len & Helen Malinowski - Friends, Lou & Annette

Anthony James Cannizzaro -

The Cannizzaro & Stagnita Family

5:30pm OLP/SP - Drs. Arthur & Margaret Vercillo -

Henry & Esther Pagano



### A Family Perspective Family Life Education

Having possessions is an illusion. In today's Gospel, Jesus told the young man to give up his need to control and put his trust in God. He could not let go! In families, our need to control destroys relationships. We can lead, teach and encourage, but we cannot control anyone but ourselves.



### Rectory Closed & No Mass

In observance of Columbus Day, Monday, Oct. 11, the rectories of SJB/HT & OLP/SP will be closed and there is no 9:00am Mass at OLP/SP or Noon Mass at SJB/HT.

### Lector Schedule - Oct. 16th & Oct. 17th

4:00pm OLP/SP: Jackie Antonacci

5:30pm SJB/HT: Cathy Schotthoefer

7:30am OLP/SP: Joe Nicoletti

9:00am SJB/HT: Mary Barraco

11:30am OLP/SP: G. Lostumbo

5:00pm OLP/SP: Fr. Caruso



**Our Health Care Workers:** Please pray for all health care workers of our parish serving in this crisis of COVID 19. That God helps to guide their decisions and to keep them safe as well. From our parish: **Dr. Patrick Abt, Alisa Albanese, PA., Christopher Jacques, EMS, Lynda Keller, Nurse, Ross Mathewson, Joseph & Rita Nicoletti, Nurses, Robert C. Palucci, Nurse, Dr. Alyssa Toia, Stacy Toia, Nurse and Lauren Townley, Nurse.**

**Serving Our Country:** Always keep in prayer all servicemen and women. From our parish: **Anthony Cangemi, Richard L. Cooper, Kristen Fekete, Jack McAndrew, Matthew McAndrew, Bryan M. Oakes & Rob Smith.**



**Remember:** Christopher Aldrich, Larry Argiro, Shawn Babcock, Nancy Bailey, Marge Brigandi, Lena Campanino, Rosaria Campolo, Robert Capria, Cheryle Cacchione, Catherine Cushman, Grayce Costantini, Linda Deapo, Joni Uva DelGiorno, Gen DiMento, Ginny & Erin Donovan, Aaron Doty, Marilyn Ferretti, Beverly Frey, Ellen Gangemi, Gladys Graham, Robert Greenwood, Joseph Guinto, Jeanne Hammond, Keith Horton, Josephine Indelicato, Mary Isgar, Dory Jones, Shirley Kerr, Jane Kwasigroch, Rosemary Lane, Kay Ledermann, Jackie Limeri, Maria Luisi, Diane Mackey, Norm MacKenzie, Madge Maffei, Peggy Miccinelli, Michael Morga, Jean Padden, The Pavia Children, Sandy Pisani, Cathy Galutz Sacco, Faith Setzer, Marion Sherwood, John Sobon, Timothy K. Suppes, Carmen Surface, Barbara Traino, Shelly Visco, Patrick Vassalo, Mary Vigliotti and Matthew Watkins.

### Sacrificial Giving

Please contact Fr. Dan if you have any questions about our parish finances.

Week Oct. 2 & Oct. 3rd

SJB/HT Collection: \$8,811.00 OLP/SP Collection: \$5,842.00

Thank you to all those parishioners who have faithfully been mailing their envelopes because they still cannot attend Mass. If you have been away or have been unable to attend Mass, please remember to send your donation to the Parish Office. We appreciate whatever you can do to help with expenses.

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